first bitpattern, and in that the recorder [comprises] includes encoder means [(23)] for embedding the watermark in the information and generator means [(25)] for generating the second bitpattern according to the predefined relationship between the first and the second bitpattern, and in that the player [comprises] includes verification means [(29)] for verifying the relationship between the second bitpattern and the first bitpattern.

2. (as amended) The [S]system as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the relationship [comprises] includes a cryptographic one-way function.

3. (as amended) The [S]system as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the second bitpattern [(y)] is generated by applying a one-way function to the first bitpattern [(x)].

4. (as amended) The [S]system as claimed in claim 1, [2 or 3,] characterized in that the second bitpattern identifies the encoder means.

5. (as amended) A [R]recorder for use in the system of

claim 1,[2, 3 or 4] for recording information on an information carrier comprising a medium mark representing a first bitpattern [(x)], [characterized in that] the recorder [comprises] <u>includes</u> encoder means [(42)] for embedding a watermark in the information, the watermark representing a second bitpattern [(y)], and generator means [(43)] for generating the second bitpattern according to a predefined relationship between the first and the second bitpattern.

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6. (as amended) <u>The</u> [R]<u>r</u>ecorder as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that the recorder comprises marking means [(46)] for creating the medium mark on the information carrier and in that the generator means [comprise] <u>includes</u> means [(44)] for generating the first bitpattern from a seed [(u)] according to a further predefined relationship.

7. (as amended) <u>The</u> [R]<u>r</u>ecorder as claimed in claim 5 [or 6], characterized in that the generator means [(43)] are arranged for generating the first bitpattern [(x)] by combining a first part [(x_c)] represented by a prepressed mark on a recordable information carrier and a second part [(x_2)] generated from the seed [(u)].

8. (as amended) The [R]recorder as claimed in claim 6 [or 7], characterized in that the further predefined relationship [comprises] includes a cryptographic one-way function.

9. (as amended) An [I]information carrier for use in the system of claim 1, [2, 3 or 4,] the information carrier [(51)] comprising recorded information and a medium mark [(50)] representing a first bitpattern [(x)], characterized in that the recorded information [comprises] includes a watermark representing a second bitpattern [(y)], which second bitpattern has a predefined relationship to the first bitpattern.

10. (as amended) The [I]information carrier as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that the first bitpattern [comprises] includes a first part [(x_c)] identifying a source of the information carrier, and a second part [(x_t)] identifying the recorded information.

11. (as amended) A [P]player for use in the system of claim 1, [2, 3 or 4] for reproducing information from an information carrier [(51)] and comprising means [(50)] for

detecting a medium mark representing a first bitpattern [(x)], characterized in that the player [comprises] includes watermark read means [(55)] for detecting a second bitpattern [(y)] represented by a watermark in the recorded information, and in that the player [comprises] includes verification means [(53,54)] for verifying a predefined relationship between the second bitpattern and the first bitpattern.

12. (as amended) The [P]player as claimed in claim 11, characterized in that the verification means [comprise] includes a cryptographic one-way function [(53)].

13. (as amended) The [P]player as claimed in claim 12, characterized in that the verifications means are arranged for generating a verification pattern [(y')] by applying a one-way function to the first bitpattern [(x)] and [comprises] includes means [(54)] for comparing the verification pattern [(y')] and the second bitpattern [(y)].

Please add the following as new claims:

14. The system of claim 1, in which:

the relationship includes a cryptographic one-way function,

the second bitpattern is generated by applying a one-way function to the first bitpattern, and

the second bitpattern identifies the encoder means.

15. The recorder of claim 5, in which:

the second bitpattern is generated by applying a one-way function to the first bitpattern,

the second bitpattern identifies the encoder means,

the recorder includes marking means for creating the medium mark on the information carrier and in that the generator means include means for generating the first bitpattern from a seed according to a further predefined relationship,

the generator means are arranged for generating the first bitpattern by combining a first part represented by a prepressed mark on a recordable information carrier and a second part generated from the seed, and

the further predefined relationship includes a cryptographic one-way function.

16. The information carrier of claim 9, in which:

the relationship includes a cryptographic one-way function,

the second bitpattern is generated by applying a one-way function to the first bitpattern, and

the second bitpattern identifies the encoder means.

17. The player of claim 12, in which:

the relationship includes a cryptographic one-way function,

the second bitpattern is generated by applying a one-way function to the first bitpattern, and

the second bitpattern identifies the encoder means.

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